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Enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 20, 2005, in which the Examiner finally rejected claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,933,798 to Linnartz in view of U.S. Patent 6,222,932 to Rao et al.; and claims 3 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Linnartz in view of Rao et al., and further in view of U.S. Patent 5,260,648 to Brust.

Applicants traverse the above rejections and offer the following explanation.

The Linnartz patent discloses detecting a watermark embedded in an information signal, in which the embedding of a watermark is described with reference to Fig. 1 therein. In particular, "The arrangement comprises a watermark data signal